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Report of the Secretary-General

1. By its resolution 45/168 of 18 December 1990, the General Assembly took note of the report of the Secretary-General (A/45/210-E/1990/21) and welcomed the designation of the library of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) as a depository centre for United Nations human rights materials within the Commission at Bangkok, the functions of which would include the collection, processing and dissemination of such materials in the Asian and Pacific region; renewed the invitation it made in 1988 in its resolution 43/140 of 8 December 1988 to States members of ESCAP that had not yet done so to communicate to the Secretary-General as soon as possible their comments on the report of the Seminar on National, Local and Regional Arrangements for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights in the Asian Region and, in particular, to address themselves to the conclusions and recommendations in the report concerning the development of regional arrangements in Asia and the Pacific; 1/ requested the Secretary-General to ensure a continuing flow of human rights material to the library of ESCAP at Bangkok for appropriate dissemination in the region; encouraged United Nations development agencies in the Asian and Pacific region to coordinate with ESCAP their efforts to promote the human rights dimension in their activities; and requested the Secretary-General to submit a report to it at its forty-seventh session, through the Economic and Social Council, incorporating information on progress achieved in the implementation of the resolution.

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2. The attention of the General Assembly is called to the report of the Secretary-General submitted to the Commission on Human Rights at its forty-eighth session (E/CN.4/1992/24). That report, which contains the relevant information requested by the Assembly in paragraphs 2, 3, 4 and 6 of resolution 45/168, is also being made available to the Economic and Social Council and to the Assembly.

Notes

1/ A/37/422, annex and A/39/174-E/1984/38 and Add.1 and E/CN.4/1986/19. The report was published by the United Nations as document ST/HR/SER.A/13).